

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CENTRAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES
CLASS SPECIFICATION

CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY ASSOCIATE

POSITION CODE: 08255

Effective: 03/01/2008

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF WORK:

Under the direct supervision of a licensed clinical psychologist for a period of 3 to 48 months, actively progresses to completion of all education and experience required to sit for the clinical psychology registration examination; participates in in-service and on-the-job training to develop further expertise in the field of clinical psychology consistent with the psychology career discipline, familiarity with department services, and a working knowledge of department program policies, rules and procedures; receives controlled work assignments of increasing difficulty, complexity, and responsibility; conducts psychological interviews, conducts, scores and interprets psychological tests; participates in psychological treatment procedures and case management.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK:

1. Under qualified supervision, conducts psychological interviews, screens telephone calls to intake, and provides crisis intervention; in an intake or admissions setting, determines needs of recipients and refers individuals to other community agencies as needed.
2. Under qualified supervision, conducts, scores, and interprets psychological tests; utilizes applicable formal and informal assessments to provide direction for effective case management for each recipient.
3. Under qualified supervision, conducts individual and group therapy as needed.
4. Performs other duties as required or assigned which are reasonably within the scope of the duties enumerated above.

DESIRABLE REQUIREMENTS:

Education and Experience

Requires satisfactory completion of a pre-doctoral clinical internship and all doctoral course work from an accredited, doctoral level psychology program - both of which are recognized by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation as satisfactory.

Clinical Psychology Associate (Continued)

Knowledges, Skills and Abilities

Requires working knowledge of testing procedures and standard test forms and devices used in ascertaining intelligence, aptitude, personality, and other related physical and mental traits.

Requires working knowledge of the application of psychology to social and education deviation, mental disease and rehabilitation of either adults and/or children and adolescents.

Requires working knowledge of both normal and abnormal psychology.

Requires ability to work cooperatively and effectively with staff members, department recipients and their families.

Requires ability to cooperate and work harmoniously with personnel of psychology department and other disciplines as in psychiatry, nursing, and social work.

In addition to having a written and spoken knowledge of the English language, candidates may be required to speak and write a foreign language at a colloquial skill level in carrying out position duties in conjunction with non-English speaking individuals. Some positions may require the ability to communicate with the visually impaired by Braille and other recognized methods or with the hearing impaired by sign language and other recognized methods.